ವುದರಿಂದ ತಾವು ಕ್ಷಮೆ ಬೇಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕೇಳಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎ. ಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ.—ನಾನು ನೊಂದ ಹೃದಯದಿಂದ ಕ್ಷಮೆ ಬೇಡುತ್ತೇನೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Then I accept.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—As regards short notice question No. 8 put by Sri Patil, the replies are as circulated. As regards the other two questions put by Sri F. H. Mohsin and Sri M. C. Narasimhan respectively, I will read the replies.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—We have not received the questions and the answers.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇತರ ಎರಡು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೋತ್ತರಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ರಿಂಟ್ ಮಾಡಿಸಲಕ್ಕಾಗಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಸೈಕ್ಲೋಸ್ಟೈಲ್ ಸಾಡಿಸಲಕ್ಕಾಗಲಿ ಆಗಲಿಲ್ಲ. It is a matter of convenience.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—When we are not in possession of the questions I do not know how far this procedure will be correct.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಕಾಲಕ್ಕೆ ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೋತ್ತರಗಳು ಸೈಕ್ಲೊಸ್ಟೈಲ್ ಮಾಡಿಸಿ ಸದಸ್ಯರಿಗೆ ಹಂಚಲಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾಲಾವಕಾಶ ಸಾಕಷ್ಟು ಇಲ್ಲವಾದ್ದರಿಂದ ನಾನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೋತ್ತರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಭೆಯ ಅವಗಾಹನೆಗೆ ತರಬಹುದೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಹಾಗೂ ಇನ್ನೊಂದು ದಿನಕ್ಕೆ ಈ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯನ್ನು ಚರ್ಚಿಸೋಣವೇ ಎಂದು ಕೇಳಲಾಗಿ, ಅವರು ಅರ್ಜೀತ ಬೇಡ, ಫೋನ್ ಫೋನ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ, ಈ ದಿನವೇ ಈ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯನ್ನು ಚರ್ಚಿಸೋಣವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು.

Disturbances at Bagalkot.

S. N. Q.—8. Sri R. M. PATIL (Navalgund).—Will the Government pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that some disturbances took place at Bagalkot Town between two communities on Sunday, the 26th October 1958 and if so the reasons for the same ;

(*b*) whether firing was resorted to and if so the number of persons that died and the number of persons injured ;

(*c*) whether it is also a fact that to this day high tension is prevailing in the said town with the possibility of the recurrence of disturbances ;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that trade and commerce of the said town are completely paralysed and the people are leaving the town in panic ;

(*e*) the measures taken by the Government to keep peace and order in the town ?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Yes, due to an encounter between the R.S.S. Unit at Bagalkot and the local Muslims.

(*b*) Yes, it is reported that one person died and two sustained injuries due to the firing.

(*c*) The latest reports indicate that the situation is normal.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) Curfew has been imposed from dusk to dawn and Section 144, Cr.P.C., has been promulgated to be in force for a week. Regular patrol has been arranged. Police reinforcements have been brought in from Bijapur to Bagalkot to maintain law and order. A Peace Committee consisting of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate as Chairman and leading persons of both Communities as members has also been formed.

S. N. Q.—18. Sri F. H. MOHSIN (Hubli).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the reasons for the communal disturbance at Bagalkot on 26th October 1958 ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that six mosques were damaged and about 20 Muslim shops were looted and burnt and Muslim women were insulted ;

(*c*) the strength of the Police Force at Bagalkot then which was available to put down the disturbances ;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that the Police knew the likelihood of such an incident beforehand and they failed to take proper precautions to avert it ;

(*e*) the number of Muslims died and injured ;

(*f*) whether due compensation would be paid to those who have lost properties in the disturbances ?

A.–Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).–

(*a*) The disturbance was the result of an encounter between the R.S.S. Unit at Bagalkot and some of the local Muslims;

(*b*) It is a fact that six mosques were damaged, four Muslim shops were damaged and looted and about 25 tongas destroyed. No instances of Muslim women having been insulted have been reported;

(*c*) 60 men (armed and unarmed) local; 30 Constables in Mufti. In addition, the D.S.P. had brought 25 Armed Police with him.

(*d*) The Police knew that a certain amount of tension was prevailing in the town ever since the communal disturbances at Bagalkot about two years back. Since the past two to three months there were some rumours that trouble might occur. Bundobust arrangements had been made, but an incident of this magnitude was not anticipated;

(*e*) One Muslim boy died as a result of the firing and two Non-Muslim boys were injured. About 40 persons were injured in the conflict. The reports do not indicate how many of them are Muslims.

(*f*) This is under consideration.

Destruction caused to Mosques and Property at Bagalkot.

S. N. Q.–17. Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN (Kolar Gold Fields).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there was some destruction at Bagalkot on 26th October 1958 to mosques and property consequent to a procession of R.S.S. persons;

(*b*) whether there was a state of communal tension prevailing there for the past several weeks;

(*c*) whether adequate police force was available at the moment to control the disturbances;

(*d*) whether the Government would order an impartial enquiry into the incidents?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).-

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) There were 60 men (Armed and Un-armed) and 30 Constables in mufti available locally. The D.S.P. had also brought 25 Armed Police with him.

(*d*) This is under consideration.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—Was the Government aware of the fact that this incident was to take place? If so, how many days back they were aware of it?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—The Government did not know that the incident was to take place.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—Since how many days back they were aware of this fact?

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Government had no idea that such an incident would take place.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—Since when the Government came to know that this tension would take place?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—That also the Government did not know. The Government never anticipated that this incident would take place or this tension would take place.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—Did the Government or the Department feel that the Police force was sufficient to control the situation?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—According to the opinion of the local Officers, the police was more than adequate.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—To control the situation?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Only for that purpose. Beyond that, there is no other purpose.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—May I know the particular reason as to why this incident took place when there was sufficient police force?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—That was due to the difference between two groups which were there on that day.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—Did the Government mean that it was beyond the control of the Police force?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—I never said so, it was entirely under the control of the Government. The Government never anticipated that this type of incident would take place.